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**NATIONAL HARDWARE SHOW® TO SPONSOR TOP 500 RETAILER REPORT
CREATED BY HOME CHANNEL NEWS**

(Norwalk, Conn. June 11) - - - The National Hardware Show® and *Home Channel News* are teaming up to bring the retail home improvement industry's annual report card, the Top 500, to the market for review. The Top 500 is a year-round-industry standard business reference that ranks industry retailers by sales volume, year-on-year revenue comparison, and a breakdown of total sales into end-user categories. Other market information and coverage includes market-sector analysis and product and store-type category breakdowns.

"Providing actionable industry insight is a common end-product of both the National Hardware Show and *Home Channel News*," said Ed Several, Group Vice President & Show Manager, National Hardware Show. "Therefore, we salute the top retailers; many, if not all of whom attend the National Hardware Show, and who have brought new thinking into their businesses as a result of the challenging 2008 economy."

"*Home Channel News* has been producing definitive annual statistical reports on the home improvement/home building marketplace for 34 years. This year's sponsorship of the Top 500 by the National Hardware Show demonstrates that organization's commitment to bringing important analytical tools to the industry," said Jeff Arlen, Publisher, Home Channel News.

To get a copy of the Top 500, visit www.homechannelnews.com or www.nationalhardwareshow.com.

Plans for the 65th annual National Hardware Show® will take place on May 4-6, 2010 at the Las Vegas Convention Center, Las Vegas. The 2010 National Hardware Show will continue delivering the programs and services that are designed to empower manufacturers and retailers with the ideas, new products and merchandising solutions to generate sales and increase profitability, the 2010 National Hardware Show will provide the platform for the retail home improvement industry to realize new growth.

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